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ENCRYPTION APPARATUS, DECRYPTION APPARATUS AND ENCRYPTION SYSTEM Mail Stop: Amendment

## **AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 29, 2007, the period for response having been extended for one month by the attached petition, please amend the above-referenced U.S. patent application as follows: